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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER PATENT RULES 97 AND 98

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Applicants submit this information disclosure statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98.

The present application is a Rule 1.53(b) division of parent application Serial No. 08/944,662, and the patents, publications or other information cited by or submitted to the PTO in the parent application are incorporated herein as applicants' information disclosure statement.

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jc135 U.S. PTO 09/483728 This information disclosure statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of the application. Accordingly, this information disclosure statement is being filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), i.e., before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

Information Disclosure Statement

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(1), a list of patents, publications or other information submitted for consideration by the PTO is provided on annexed Form PTO-1449. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(d), legible copies of each item of information listed on the Form were submitted to the PTO in the parent application.

Consideration of this information disclosure statement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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